




**State of Louisiana**  
**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**OFFICE OF MINERAL RESOURCES**  
**STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD**

TO: STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD MEMBERS

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DATE: NOVEMBER 14, 2012

**LEGAL AND TITLE CONTROVERSY COMMITTEE AGENDA**

The regular meeting of the Legal and Title Controversy Committee of the State Mineral and Energy Board will be held on November 14, 2012, following the Audit Committee Meeting, in the LaBelle Room, First Floor, LaSalle Building located at 617 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

**Items on the Agenda are as follows:**

1. A request for final approval of a Lease Extension Agreement by and between the State of Louisiana, through the State Mineral and Energy Board and Chevron U.S.A. Inc., whereas said parties desire to amend the Deferred Development term of said Lease from two (2) to three (3) years, with an option by Lessee to extend an additional one (1) year; each extension being in consideration of the payment of the full per acre bonus on the outside acreage, affecting State Lease No. 19547, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument, on the docket as Item No. 12-42.
2. A request for final approval of a Lease Extension Agreement by and between the State of Louisiana, through the State Mineral and Energy Board and Chevron U.S.A. Inc., et al, whereas said parties desire to amend Paragraph 2 of State Lease Nos. 19534, 19536, 19537 and 19540 to revise said leases from five (5) years to six (6) years, with an option by Lessee to extend an additional one (1) year, each extension being consideration of the full bonus per acre amount and royalty increase from 22% to 22.5% for the first year of extension only, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument, on the docket as Item No. 12-43.

3. A request for final approval of a Lease Amendment by and between the State of Louisiana, through the Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board and Chevron U.S.A. Inc., et al, whereas said parties desire to amend any prior shut-in payment clause presently found in said Lease with new oil shut-in payment clause and raise gas shut-in clause payment to \$50.00 per acre, affecting State Lease Nos. 19534, 19536, 19537, 19540 and 19547, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument, on the docket as Item No. 12-44.
4. A request for final approval of a Lease Amendment by and between the State of Louisiana, through the State Mineral and Energy Board and Clayton Williams Energy, Inc., et al, whereas said parties desire to amend said leases to include a Force Majeure Provision and other required clauses, affecting State Lease Nos. 17376 and 17378, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument, on the docket as Item No. 12-45.
5. A request for final approval of a Settlement Agreement and Release by and between the State of Louisiana, The Department of Natural Resources, The Louisiana Office of Mineral Resources and Plaquemines Parish Government, whereas said parties desire to settle a dispute between the state and the private claimant(s), affecting State Lease Nos. 15918, 16628 and 17382, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, with further particulars being stipulated in the instrument, on the docket as Item No. 12-46.
6. A request by Energy Properties, Inc. to withdraw its request for an Operating Agreement on forty (40) acres of state owned waterbottoms affecting a portion of former State Lease No. 11136 located in Couba Island Field, Jefferson and St. Charles Parishes, Louisiana.
7. A request by Staff for ratification by the State Mineral and Energy Board of a correction of the property description as incorrectly advertised in the Advocate on January 27, 2012 for the proposed operating agreement which was awarded at the February 8, 2012 Board meeting and became Operating Agreement A0321, and of Operating Agreement A0321 itself.
8. A request by Clayton Williams Energy, Inc. for authority to escrow funds in regard to State Lease No. 19706 for royalties attributable to disputed acreage contained within Unit Tracts E and F of the 9,400' RA SUA under Order Number 890-Z, Coquille Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

9. A request by Staff to rescind approval of an assignment from Genesis Producing Company, L.P. to Smith Big Oil Corp. approved by the Board on June 13, 2012, on the grounds that said assignment may have been fraudulently obtained in that suit has been filed in the 152<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Court, County of Harris, State of Texas by Genesis seeking to annul the assignment on grounds it was fraudulently obtained, said court having issued an injunction in the matter.
10. A discussion in executive session of the suit entitled: Kenneth Webb, et al v. DNR, et al, Suit No. 72615, 42nd Judicial District Court, Parish of Desoto, State of Louisiana.

The Committee may discuss other matters as it desires pursuant to La. R.S. 42:7(A)(1)(b)(ii), including matters which may validly be held in executive session pursuant to La. R. S. 42:6, especially 42:6(1)(A)(2)&(6).